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HAS NEW PLAN FOR IMPROVING CORNERS

Prof. W. S. Williams Submits Outline Less Costly Than H. F. Major's.

STREETS RE-NAMED Cousins and Hockaday Streets Combine as South Williams Street.

A new plan was presented to the City Council last night by Prof. W. S. Williams of the School of Engineering, for making safer the intersections of Ninth and Conley streets and Hudson, Rollins and Hitt streets. This plan is less expensive than the plan presented recently by Horace F. Major, superintendent of University grounds, and will not require encroaching on Allen place or the Missouri store property.

Mr. Williams drew up this plan at the request of councilmen. The approximate cost for putting it into effect at Ninth and Conley streets was figured by John Silver, city engineer, at \$242 against \$620 for the Major plan.

Mr. Williams said: "My plan is to leave Allen place intact and not touch either the Campus or the Missouri Store. All that is necessary is the rounding of the corners to include a portion of the sidewalk. A thirty-foot radius is all that is necessary for turning.

"I understand the main object of the plan is to insure safety to automobiles. If that is the case, the plan that you now have under consideration is too expensive. There are many corners in Columbia that should be rounded, but if the city compels unnecessary expense, the people will tire of the project and decline to carry out the plan in other parts of the city.

Sees Danger in Plan. "If adornment is carried far in connection with the execution of the plans the main object will be lost. A large memorial in the center of the circle at Ninth and Conley, as proposed, would blind drivers and tend to increase rather than decrease accidents.

"I do not agree with Mr. Williams," Joseph Somerville, city councilman, exclaimed at the close of Mr. Williams' talk. "Mr. Major's plan provides for the beautification of the city as we go and I think that it should be adopted."

The project was referred back to the city planning committee with instructions to determine if the University would back Mr. Williams' plan instead of that of Mr. Major. University authorities have signified their willingness to back the project to the extent of \$200 for every corner made to conform with the plan submitted by Mr. Major.

Adopts Policy. Upon recommendation of Mr. Williams the council decided to take up the round corner proposition in connection with all paving in the future. By doing that a great expense will be saved in tearing up the corners later and putting in new paving after the task has been completed.

Accordingly, a resolution passed earlier in the evening for the paving of South Fifth street from Broadway to a point eighty feet north of Maple street was repealed and the question referred to the city engineer for plans for round corners to be built in connection with the paving.

There being no remonstrance from people living on Cousin and Hockaday streets, and those streets being one thoroughfare, the council by unanimous vote changed its name to South Williams street.

A resolution introduced by Mr. Somerville for the framing of an ordinance making Hitt street, from Broadway to Cherry street, a one-way street for traffic was passed. According to the provisions of the proposed city law, traffic on that street going south may use Hitt street from Broadway to Cherry street as at present, but traffic going north on Hitt must turn off on Cherry street.

The city attorney was instructed by the Council last night to amend the license laws of the city to include other businesses, the amendments to be presented to the council at the next meeting. The resolution as passed by the council contained a clause fixing a tax of \$15 a year on fire insurance agencies in Columbia. This money is to be turned into the city improvement fund.

Would Regulate Plumbing. The first reading of a bill providing for the establishment of a board to be known as the Columbia Board of Examining Plumbers came before the council last night. The ordinance will be acted upon at the next meeting. It provides for the regulation of all plumbing in Columbia by a board consisting of the plumbing inspector, whose salary is \$1 a year and, a master plumber and journeyman plumber whose salaries are \$2 a year. These men are to be appointed by the mayor.

An examination fee of \$2 will be charged each plumber in the city annually and he must be a qualified plumber before the board will allow

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Unsettled tonight and Thursday with rain Thursday. Not much change in temperature; lowest tonight about 35.

For Missouri: Unsettled tonight and Thursday with rain Thursday and west portion tonight. Somewhat warmer east portion tonight.

Shipper's Forecast: Within a radius of 200 miles of Columbia the lowest temperature during the next 24 hours will be a few degrees above freezing.

Weather Conditions. A fifty mile off-shore gale prevailed this morning from New York to Maine. This is an aftermath of the storm that was off the North Atlantic coast yesterday and which is now well on its way across the Atlantic. The Southern Plateau storm has traveled eastward to the New Mexico-Texas line, but, fortunately, has filled up somewhat and thus far has caused only light precipitation. Fair but rather chilly weather has prevailed in most of the Plains, Central Valleys and over the eastern half of the country.

The Southwest depression will likely travel east-northeast, bringing rain to the lower Missouri Valley by or before Thursday night.

Local Data. The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 46; and the lowest last night was 31. Precipitation 0.00. Relative humidity noon yesterday was 59 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 51 and the lowest was 26. Precipitation 0.00.

Sun rose today 6:55 a. m. Sun sets 5:51 p. m. Moon rises 10:45 p. m.

The Temperatures Today.

7 a. m.	8 a. m.	9 a. m.	10 a. m.	11 a. m.	12 noon	1 p. m.	2 p. m.	3 p. m.	4 p. m.
31	33	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42

him to work at his trade in Columbia. On the other hand all plumbing in the city unless of a minor nature must be done by a plumber who is approved by the board. The size and kind of pipes and other supplies to be used in all plumbing work is specified in the ordinance and the board must see that the plumbers and people if the city maintain regulation plumbing.

The report of N. Y. Harding who audited the books of Berry W. Jacobs, city collector from April 1, 1918 to January 1, 1919, was accepted and approved by the Council. The report follows:

1918 Land and Personal Tax, collected \$29,561.40
1917 and prior delinquent tax 2,542.53
Fees and Interest on Delinquent Taxes 327.45
General and Merchants Licenses 4,874.00
Merchants Ad Valorem tax 2,523.44
Dog license 559.25
Vehicle tax 1,043.25

Total \$41,431.32

The amount of taxes uncollected on January 1 was:

Land tax \$3,945.12

Personal tax 1,242.82

Total \$5,187.94

BEGIN ON PEACE PACT

Delegates Plan to Have Outline Complete When Wilson Returns.

By FRED S. FERGUSON (United Press Staff Correspondent)

PARIS, Feb. 19.—American, British, French and Italian delegates discussed the program for a preliminary peace today with the intention of having the outline complete when President Wilson returns to Paris. Belief was expressed that the pact might be ready for final discussion by the middle of April. The terms would include delineation of German boundaries, definite establishment of her military, naval and economic status, and fixation of the amount of reparations and the method of payment.

One plan said to be meeting with favor, provides for the abolition of conscription in Germany for a period of ten years, with simultaneous reduction of her fleet.

Further steps toward fixing a basis of preliminary peace will be taken in the new armistice conditions which may be presented to Germany within a week. These are expected to include:

Reduction of her army to twenty-five divisions.

Possible destruction of the Rhine forts.

Prohibition of mobilization on the west front.

Further reduction of her navy.

Surrender of all submarines.

Armistice Terms Too Severe for Him. By United Press.

BASLE, Feb. 19.—Captain Von Seelow, naval representative on the German armistice commission, has resigned because of the severity of the new conditions, it was reported in a Berlin dispatch today.

ANNAPOLIS TEST TO BE GIVEN

Students of Hall Coaching School Take Examination This Week.

Ten students of the Hall Coaching School will take examinations for admittance to the Naval Academy at Annapolis this week. The examinations are to be held at the postoffice and will last three days.

The men who are to take the examinations are: Richard Spencer, Lyonel Moses, Frank Munroe, Robert Waddell, John Harris, Roland Hubbel, Joseph Briggs, Ira Kimes, Hal May and John Weidenmeyer. Their papers will be sent to Annapolis to be graded. Those who pass will be notified in three weeks when to report at the school.

HIPPODROME TOTALLY DESTROYED TUESDAY

Small Crowd Watches Blazing Building Before Alarm Is Turned In.

ENTIRE LOSS \$7,000 \$500 Insurance Carried on the Building—Remodelled Four Years Ago.

A small crowd had gathered to watch the black smoke roll over the tar roof of the Hippodrome Theater at Tenth and Walnut streets before the fire alarm was turned in by the 23 Transfer people announcing to official Columbia that its oldest show house was burning. The fire started from an unknown source in the rear of the building at 5:40 o'clock yesterday evening. In half an hour the low green building was charred black and entirely destroyed.

B. E. Hatton, proprietor of a wall paper store at 14 North Tenth street, was the owner of the building. The entire loss was \$7,000. Hatton carried \$500 insurance on the building.

A \$450 piano, recently moved into the building, was destroyed, an Edison moving picture machine, \$150 worth of electric fans, \$500 worth of new scenery and a \$300 furnace.

"A medium sized well beneath the stage was all that was saved," said Mr. Hatton this morning.

Hatton was running the Haden Opera house on Broadway, where the Boone County Trust Company is now located when it burned in February, 1901. The next year he started a canvas airdome on the lot at Tenth and Walnut. This was the second airdome in the state of Missouri. In a short time he moved the "topless" show to the lot now occupied by the John N. Taylor garage.

After three years he decided to come back to the old stand on Walnut. A steel structure with portable roof and sides was erected. A saw dust floor and long benches were installed for the patrons of "ten, twenty, and thirty" who came to snaffle through the agencies of "East Lynne." Four years ago the roof was raised six feet above the side walls, lattice work put in, a floor provided, and 1,800 opera chairs installed.

The bounds of "Uncle Tom" and his little cabin no longer reigned supreme, but "The Hip" continued to be a popular show. Mr. Hatton recalls the seasons that he put on two movies and two vaudeville acts all for a jitney, only they called them nickles in those days. The Hippodrome has played to 1,900 paid admissions in one show, according to Mr. Hatton.

Last spring a roller skating rink was operated in the Hippodrome building. A maple floor valued at \$600 was stored in the building and destroyed yesterday. Mr. Low, manager of the rink, had \$250 insurance on the floor.

Hatton the Sole Owner.

Hatton has been the sole owner of the building since its erection. W. E. Farley of Columbia owns the lot, which he had leased to Hatton. In 1916 the Hippodrome Theater was subleased to W. B. Gage, present manager of the Odeon Theater. Gage changed the name of the play house to the Walnut Street Theater. Hatton again resumed the management of the Hippodrome in November 1918.

Arrangements were made last fall with the military authorities at the University to make the Hippodrome the exclusive show house for members of the S. A. T. C. here. The working of this plan was prevented by the strict quarantine.

Three window panes were broken and the paint on the west side of the house was badly scorched in the house east of the burning building and occupied by Mrs. W. L. Sexton. Box cars in the Wabash Railroad yards were moved out of range of the heat and sparks.

WOULD OUST SOVIET

Senator McCumber Wants Allied Army to Subdue Bolsheviki.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—A resolution declaring that the United States in co-operation with the Allies should send an army of sufficient force to Petrograd and Moscow and other points in Russia to defeat the Bolsheviki was introduced in the Senate today by Senator McCumber of North Dakota as a substitute for a resolution of Hiram Johnson of California.

Dean Mumford to Speak in St. Louis.

Dean F. B. Mumford will speak in St. Louis next Tuesday evening on "American Ideals and a League of Nations." His address will form part of a series of addresses on February 25 and 26 in St. Louis under the auspices of the League to Enforce Peace.

\$1,000 CONTRIBUTED FOR ARMENIAN RELIEF

First Two Days' Donations Already Mailed to Headquarters.

COMMITTEES NAMED To Canvass Business District Tomorrow—W. W. Payne Is Chairman.

The first two days' donations to the Syrian-Armenian Relief Fund in Columbia amounted to approximately \$1,000. The executive committee is today mailing to state headquarters in St. Louis a draft for \$1,000. This is in response to a request from James R. Dunn, director of the campaign in Eastern Missouri, that all available funds be sent today to St. Louis in order to repay money which has been advanced to equip relief ships.

The Leviathan is on its way to Turkey with a relief party of 250 members, provided with \$3,500,000 worth of material, enough to equip completely fifteen hospitals. It is expected to reach Turkey March 15. This relief expedition, the largest that ever went across, is under the protection of the French and British governments. Money to equip it was borrowed and will be repaid out of the donations in the present campaign.

The canvass of Columbia's business district tomorrow will be in charge of W. W. Payne, city chairman of the campaign. Eight or nine committees will be assigned to work the downtown district.

The list of chairmen of the committees for the districts around Columbia has been revised as follows:

Browns, Will Carter.
Zaring, Emmett Maxwell.
Grindstone, D. D. Moss.
Bethel, Mrs. Nat Dodd.
Vawter, Mrs. M. L. Douglass.
Via, E. G. Limerick.
Banks, Mrs. E. T. Truitt.
Keene, C. W. Cannon.
Dry Ridge, J. W. Proctor, Jr.
Prospect, T. E. Adkins.

ARMENIAN VIOLINIST HERE

Will Give Concert Tonight in Interest of Fund Campaign.

Haig Gudenian, Armenian violinist, who will give a concert at 8:00 o'clock tonight in the University Auditorium, arrived in Columbia this afternoon. The concert will be given in the interest of the Syrian-Armenian Relief Fund.

Mr. Gudenian is a native of Constantinople. He left Turkey when very young and began the study of music in Brussels and later in Berlin. He has been honored by the courts of many foreign nations.

Mr. Gudenian plays upon a Spanish violin that has been handed down through his family from the early part of the seventeenth century. He has been in the United States a year.

Thomas Q. Dix of St. Louis, will give a talk on the Armenian situation at tonight's meeting, stating the conditions that exist there as given to him by Armenians now in this country.

The Methodist Church will have no prayer meeting tonight to avoid conflicting with the campaign meeting.

ROAD WORKER NAMED

John Dodd Is New Commissioner of Columbia Special District.

John L. Dodd of Columbia was chosen commissioner of the Columbia Special Road District at a joint meeting of the members of the County Court, the mayor and the members of the City Council this afternoon. He will serve three years and will succeed F. H. Russell, who now holds that position.

Earl Morris was chosen commissioner of the Centralia Special Road District by the court and the members of the Centralia council and the mayor of that place. Sam Spelman was chosen commissioner of the Sturgeon district in the same manner.

The court also completed the appointment of overseers of all road districts this afternoon.

LEAGUE DISCUSSION POSTPONED

Program Committee Unable to Get Some of the Desired Speakers.

The meeting of the Columbia League of Nations Society which E. W. Stephens, chairman, had called for next Sunday night has been postponed indefinitely.

The committee appointed to arrange the program was unable to get some of the desired speakers for this time and the churches, which were asked to co-operate had already arranged for services on that night. For these reasons it was thought best to postpone the meeting.

Centralia Couple Will Marry.

A marriage license was issued today to Sam W. Woodward, 36 and Miss Mary Fowler, 32, both living on Route No. 1, Centralia.

THE CALENDAR

Feb. 19.—Kansas-Missouri basketball game at 7:30 o'clock, Rothwell Gymnasium.

Feb. 19.—Violin Concert by Haig Gudenian and lecture by Thomas Q. Dix, under auspices of Syrian Armenian Relief Campaign, 8 o'clock, University Auditorium.

Feb. 20.—Kansas-Missouri basketball game at 7:30 o'clock, Rothwell Gymnasium.

Feb. 20.—W. F. Brennan of the National Cash Register Company will lecture.

Feb. 22.—Red Cross dinner for Boone County soldiers and sailors.

Feb. 24.—Lecture by Dr. George B. Mangold, Missouri School of Social Economy, St. Louis, on "The New Children's Code," 8 p. m. in Y. M. C. A. Auditorium.

Feb. 25.—Last day for handing in orations for the preliminary to the Missouri Valley Oratorical Contest.

March 3.—Preliminary contest for the Missouri Valley Oratorical Contest, University Auditorium at 7:30 o'clock.

March 3.—Election of Spring Festival Queen.

March 4.—Democratic primaries.

May 12, 13 and 14.—Convention of Funeral Directors Association.

March 28.—Kansas-Missouri debate in University Auditorium.

CLEMENCEAU SHOT BY FRENCH YOUTH; DANGER IN WOUND

Assailant, 18-Year-Old Boy Named Côtin, Fires Eight Shots—One Lodges in Premier's Back Near Spine.

X-RAY WILL SHOW EXTENT OF INJURY

Victim Was Entering Motor Car in Front of Home—Cancels Engagement With House and Balfour.

By United Press.

PARIS, Feb. 19.—Georges Clemenceau, premier of France, was shot and wounded by a boy named Côtin as he entered his motor car in front of his residence this morning. His assailant was arrested.

According to the latest information available at noon the bullet lodged in Clemenceau's back near the spine and it was feared the wound was more dangerous than at first announced, especially because of the danger of diabetes developing. An X-ray examination was to be made this afternoon.

As Clemenceau was seating himself in his limousine Côtin suddenly sprang forward and fired eight shots. Six of these hit the front of the car. Two bullets penetrated the glass door, one striking the premier.

A policeman grabbed Côtin. Another man whose identity is not known rushed to Côtin's assistance. A crowd gathered and attacked the two men who were battling with the police. Côtin was badly mauled.

Clemenceau refused offers of assistance, and walked back into his home.

A few minutes later a telephone call was sent to Colonel House announcing that the premier's wound would prevent his keeping an engagement which he had this morning with House and Foreign Secretary Balfour of England.

Côtin refused to make any statement regarding his motive. He is about 18 years old. He is a French civilian and is said to live in Compiegne.

Côtin was later said to be a well-known anarchist. Clemenceau was reported to attach no political significance to the attack.

All official conferences today were canceled. General anxiety was expressed despite the statement that the wound was not serious.

REAL REVOLT NEAR?

German Cabinet Forced to Compromise With Communist Workers.

By FRANK J. TAYLOR (United Press Staff Correspondent)

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WEIMAR, Feb. 19.—The real revolution threatens to break out in Germany at any hour. This upheaval is not political but economic and it is being organized by the workmen themselves.

For the last three days delegates from the Workers' Council of the Essen region have been serving ultimatums on the new German cabinet insisting upon socialization of industries, minimum wages higher than the present maximum, recognition of all workmen's councils and abolition of capitalism.

The workers' program borders on communism, but they have declared against violent methods "unless absolutely necessary."

The government compromised with the Soviet leaders today, the latter promising not to use violence or to seize the coal mines and factories. In return the cabinet promised to speed up socialization of industries.

The ministry, however, is said to be uncertain whether the Soviet leaders possess enough power to hold back their men.

Berlin Prison Stormed.

By United Press.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 19.—Spartan mobs in attempting to free Karl Radek, the Russian Bolshevik emissary, attacked the famous Moabit prison in Berlin Saturday, according to a dispatch received here today. The attacks were repulsed by government troops.

Another dispatch reported Spartan outbreaks in Bavaria. Premier Eisner's secretary is said to be encouraging the Spartacides.

Government Concentrates Troops.

By United Press.

BASLE, Feb. 19.—The entire Ruhr district was reported today to be in the hands of the Spartacides. In Westphalia, the sanguinary street fighting is going on in several cities, the government is said to have concentrated 30,000 troops with artillery and mine throwers.

The Spartacides are said to have forced a general strike in Muelheim.